

It was stated during the proceedings of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Chief Commissioners conference that revenue from Cigarette Sector was not showing any improvement due to decrease in the production/sales of the formal sector of Tobacco manufacturing/ trade. It was pointed out that this reduction was mainly due to increase in the illicit manufacturing/trade of this sector. Resultantly, the FBR is losing huge amount of revenue. Accordingly, it was decided that:

- i. A Joint Committee shall be constituted comprising of DG Intelligence & Investigation (IR), DG Intelligence & Investigation (Customs), CCIRs, RTO, Peshawar/ Islamabad/ Rawalpindi & CCIR LTU, Islamabad to check/probe into illicit manufacturing/trade of cigarettes/tobacco.**
- ii. Each RTO/LTU shall make a “Cigarette/ Tobacco Squad” to work for one month in order to conduct inspection/raids on illicit cigarette Production Units.**
- iii. Fortnightly report shall be submitted to the Board.**